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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)**

Applicants in the above-identified application hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to and including February 23, 2002 for responding to the Office Action mailed October 23, 2001. A response to the Office Action accompanies this Petition.

- [X] A check in the amount of **\$110.00** is enclosed herewith.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1017 (Billing No. 160245.0045) as noted below. A duplicate copy is enclosed.
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